

## Message Text

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REF: A. USNATO 6897, 171448Z DEC 76  
B. 76 STATE 309891, 231600Z DEC 76  
C. USNATO 7022, 281353Z DEC 76  
D. PHONECON MR. JOSEPH, ODAS(A)/OASD(C)-COL KERSEY,  
USNATO, 7 JAN 77.

1. FURTHER TO REFS B, C AND D, USNATO DISAGREES WITH  
STATEMENT IN REFTEL B THAT IT WOULD SEEM MANDATORY THAT  
MR. BECK BE ASSIGNED WITHIN USNATO IF HIS POSITION AS A  
DEPARTMENT OF ARMY CIVILIAN AND LIAISON OFFICER TO NAMSA  
IS NOT REIMBURSED BY NAMSA.

2. ALTHOUGH MR. BECK WAS EMPLOYED WITHIN USNATO PRIOR TO  
1 MAR 70, HIS FORMER USNATO POSITION AS JOINT PROJECTS  
OFFICER WITH A NAMSO AFFAIRS FUNCTION WAS TERMINATED BY A  
MANPOWER REDUCTION AT THAT TIME. IT WAS THEN RECOGNIZED  
BY OSD, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY AND OTHER INTERESTED  
AGENCIES, THAT THE TRANSFER OF MR. BECK TO A USNAMSO SPACE  
WAS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO ENSURE EFFECTIVE U.S. PARTICIPATION  
IN NAMSO AND TO SAFEGUARD U.S. INTEREST IN EFFECTING MAXIMUM  
POSSIBLE RECOUPMENT OF A \$55 MILLION U.S. INVESTMENT IN  
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3. USNATO DEFENSE ADVISOR'S OFFICE CONTINUES TO HAVE  
EXTREMELY LIMITED PERSONNEL ASSETS WITH WHICH TO ACCOMPLISH  
ITS CLEARLY DEFINED FUNCTIONS WITHIN THE US MISSION TO NATO.  
IT IS NOT POSSIBLE, THEREFORE, TO SUPERIMPOSE MR. BECK'S  
FUNCTIONS ON ANOTHER USNATO POSITION.

4. WE ARE SATISFIED WITH THE CURRENT ARRANGEMENT WHICH HAS  
WORKED WELL FOR ALMOST 7 YEARS. IF, HOWEVER, WASHINGTON  
AGENCIES NOW DESIRE TO MAKE THE CONVERSION OF THE POSITION  
FROM USNAMSO/DEPT OF ARMY TO USNATO/OSD STATUS, WE WOULD

ACQUIESCE ON THE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD CONDITION THAT THE NEW  
LINE ITEM POSITION ESTABLISHMENT WOULD NOT BE PREJUDICIAL  
TO ANY SUBSEQUENT REQUIREMENTS FOR POSITION ESTABLISHMENTS  
OR JUSTIFICATIONS BY THE OFFICE OF THE DEFENSE ADVISOR,  
USNATO.

5. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE WOULD PREFER TO SEE THIS ISSUE RE-  
SOLVED BY SEEKING REIMBURSEMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
FROM NAMSO FOR MR. BECK'S SERVICE. STRAUZ-HUPE

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